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SUBJECT: ICAO ASSEMBLY - DEMARCHE ON KEY U.S. ISSUES

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1. (U) Poloff delivered demarche per reftel 10 August 2004 to Director of Bilateral Affairs, Mohamed Ali Hassan. Hassan was very interested in the topics the U.S. would present at the ICAO conference in Montreal and said he would pass the information to the Director of Civil Aviation. Hassan said it would be very helpful to the Djiboutian delegation attending to be able to coordinate meetings with the U.S. delegation prior to the conference. He continued that having the chance to meet and discuss the issue is very important so the delegation can evaluate the issues and align their views. Poloff replied that as soon as the Government of Djibouti decided who exactly would be in their delegation, she would pass their names to the appropriate persons in Washington.

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